

Government of Jammu and Kashmir
Mining Department.
Civil Secretariat, Jammu.

Subject: Issuance of Tentative Seniority List in respect of Drillers, Geology and Mining Department as it stood on 01.01.2026.

Notification

Whereas, vide Government Order No. 35-IND of 2016 dated 26.02.2016, the final seniority list of Driller was issued, as it stood on 01.07.2015; and

Whereas, the seniority list is required to be updated by excluding the names of the officers, who have either been promoted to next higher posts or have retired on superannuation and by including those who have been appointed on the posts by way of direct recruitment or promotion; and

Whereas, in terms of Geology and Mining Gazetted Service Recruitment Rules notified vide SRO 142 of 1992 dated: 19.06.1992, the method of recruitment to the post of Driller is 20% by Direct Recruitment and 80% by promotion, the promotion from Drillers grade-II Gazetted, if no eligible candidate is available, then from the category of Drilling Assistant with a minimum of 05 years service as such; and

Whereas, sanction/cadre strength of the posts of Driller are 23, out of which 20 are filled and 03 are vacant; and

Whereas, Mr. Rahul Sethi has been appointed as Driller vide Government Order No. 30-JK(MNG) of 2025 dated 30.04.2025 under direct recruitment quota @20% as envisaged under rules by the J&K Public Service Commission; and

Whereas, on the basis of the recommendations of the Departmental Promotion Committee/ Public Service Commission, following Officers were promoted to the post of Driller in the Geology and Mining Department vide Government Order No. 13-MNG of 2021 dated 22.04.2021, Government Order No. 39-JK(MNG) of 2023 dated: 30.08.2023 and Government Order No, 05-JK(MNG) of 2026 dated 07.01.2026:-

1. Mr. Shakeel Ahmad Malla.
2. Mr. Abdul Majid Wani.
3. Mr. Mohd. Yousuf Parra.
4. Mr. Faisal Masood Wani.
5. Mr. Zulfikar M. Shafi (RBA).
6. Mr. Rakesh Kumar (SC).
7. Mr. Varinder Singh.
8. Mr. Naseer Ahmad Bhat.
9. Ms. Kounsar Nissa.
10. Ms. Shiney Suriya.
11. Mr Irfan Rasool Mir.
12. Mr. Sajad-ul-Qayoom Ganai.
13. Mr. Naveen Kumar.
14. Mr. Ranjeet Singh.
15. Mr Mohd Imtiaz.

Whereas, Mr. Shakeel Ahmad Malla, Driller, has died in harness, Mr. Abdul Majid Wani, Mr. Mohd Yousuf Parra, Mr. Naseer Ahmad Bhat, Driller(s) and Mr. Rakesh Koul, I/c Drilling Engineer, have retired on superannuation pension after attaining the age of 60 years. Therefore, their names cannot be included in the instant seniority list of Drillers as it stood on 01.01.2026.

Now, therefore, following tentative seniority list in respect of Driller of Geology and Mining Department, as it stood on 01.01.2026, is hereby notified for inviting objections, if any, from the concerned within a period of 21 days and no objections shall be entertained, after the expiry date of tentative seniority list:-

S. No.	Name of the Officer (S/Shri)	Designation	Qualification	Date of Birth	Date of Entry into Government Service	Date of Appointment to the Present Post/Grade as Driller
01.	Jatinder Singh Kapoor	I/c Drilling Engineer	B. E. (Mining)	20-12-1973	04-10-2000	14-06-2007
02.	Mukhtar Ahmad	Driller	B.E. (Mechanical)	08-09-1976	06-09-2010	06-09-2010
03.	Ankur Sachdev	Driller	B. Tech. (Mechanical)	14-01-1987	27-12-2012	27-12-2012
04.	Altaf-ul Rasool	Driller	B. Tech. (Mechanical)	05-07-1986	27-12-2012	27-12-2012
05.	Vishal Dogra	Driller	B. Tech. (Mechanical)	18-11-1987	27-12-2012	27-12-2012
06.	Sartaj Ahmad	Driller	B.E. (Mechanical)	10-03-1973	14-12-2007	05-03-2014
07.	Shafiq Ahmad Choudhary	Driller	B.E. (Mechanical)	05-04-1980	14-12-2007	05-03-2014
08.	Bodh Raj	Driller	B.E. (Mechanical)	01-06-1973	14-12-2007	05-03-2014
09.	Faisal Masood Wani	Driller	B.E. Agricultural Engineering, M. Tech.	11-08-1986	13-06-2011	02-01-2018
10.	Zulfikar Mohd. Shafi	Driller	B.E. (Mechanical)	22-10-1977	13-06-2011	02-02-2018
11.	Rakesh Kumar	Driller	Diploma in Mechanical	29-05-1977	26-04-2007	10-09-2018
12.	Varinder Singh	Driller	B.A., ITI Diesel Mechanical	24-04-1972	24-05-2000	10-09-2018
13.	Kounsar Nissa	Driller	Diploma in Agri. Engg.	21-12-1979	29-09-2008	22-04-2021
14.	Shiney Suriya	Driller	Diploma in Agri. Engg.	29-12-1978	17-10-2008	22-04-2021
15.	Irfan Rasool Mir	Driller	B.E. Mechanical	01-04-1976	17-10-2008	24-06-2022
16.	Sajad Ul Qayoom Ganai	Driller	Diploma in Agri. Engg.	25-03-1977	17-10-2008	24-06-2022
17.	Naveen Kumar (SC)	Driller	B Tech. Mechanical	22.04.1971	31.10.2008	11.06.2024
18.	Ranjit Singh (RBA)	Driller	10+2 with ITI Motor Mechincal	08.07.1974	16.10.2003	11.06.2024
19.	Mohd. Imtiaz (ALC)	Driller	B.E Mechanical	01.08.1984	03.01.2018	24.07.2024
20.	Rahul Sethi	Driller	M. Tech (Manufacturing and Automobile)	31-03-1991	30-04-2025	30-04-2025

The date of birth mentioned in the notification shall not be taken as final and shall be subject to further verification of Service Book/ record and Date of Birth certificate.

Sd/-

(Ashwani Kumar) IAS

Financial Commissioner (Additional Chief Secretary)

No: GM-MNG/204/2025-04

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